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## UPDATED INFORMATION ON THE SOUTH BEACH STREET CLEAN UP AND RECONSTRUCTION

## Clean-Up Updates as of Friday, January 12, 6:00 pm:

At the end of the workday on Friday, the full length of South Beach Street to the Easton Street intersection has been decontaminated. Clean Harbors anticipates completing the entirety of the surface decontamination at the Steamship Authority Truck parking lot on Saturday.

All downtown streets in the Core area are open to regular traffic and parking with the exception of South Beach Street from Broad Street to Harborview Way; Sea Street and Whaler's Lane. South Beach Street Extension is closed from Broad Street to Oak Street.

Although all sewer and water service remains unaffected, the Town advises that it is critically important that the public continue to limit their water use as much as possible to reduce the volume of effluent that enters the system. Please limit laundry, running water and shower times.

As we head into the Holiday weekend, we expect to release an additional update on Saturday afternoon and then continue with daily updates resuming on Tuesday, January 16, 2018. Please monitor the Town website at <a href="https://www.nantucket-ma.gov">www.nantucket-ma.gov</a> and social media accounts (Twitter: @townofnantucket and Instagram @townofnantucket) for any additional alerts and updates. NCTV18 and WACK-97.7 will also broadcast alerts as needed.

For additional information please contact the Public Information Officer, Lt. Angus MacVicar, at 508-325-4100 x-5700.

As a follow up to the ongoing petroleum release situation discovered during the sewer decontamination efforts, release abatement measures have served to mitigate the presence and extent of the petroleum product observed through the bulkhead on Easy Street into the Easy Street Basin. Containment boom and adsorbent pads are being properly maintained in place and their effectiveness monitored by on-site environmental contractors. Representatives from Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection's (MassDEP) Emergency Response Division were present on-site today and will continue to provide oversight and guidance throughout the weekend to environmental contractors performing response actions. For further information, please contact the MassDEP Public Affairs Officer Mr. Edmund Coletta, at 617-292-5737.

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